

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 6523

January Session, 2015



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by: REP. ROJAS, 9th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOL TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That part IVb of chapter 164 of the general statutes be amended to 2 (1) increase charter school transparency by requiring greater detail in a 3 charter school application, (2) create additional criteria for reasons to 4 deny a charter school renewal application, (3) create additional criteria 5 for reasons that a charter school may be placed on probation, (4) 6 increase academic performance expectations of charter schools by requiring charter schools to employ only certified teachers and 8 administrators and specify how academic performance will be 9 measured, (5) make extensive financial reforms relating to the 10 operation and management of charter schools and the use of state and 11 local funds, and (6) establish new transparency and accountability 12 measures, including, but not limited to, increased oversight by the 13 Department of Education and requirements that the governing 14 councils of charter schools post meeting schedules, agendas and 15 minutes on such council's Internet web site.

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Statement of Purpose:

To improve charter school transparency, accountability and performance.

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